

What is CEOP Watch?

The goal of CEOP Watch is to increase the eyes and ears in our community to better detect criminal activity. This is done by organizing employees who drive city vehicles throughout the City of Falls Church during their normal work routine. Several examples of this include utility, maintenance, and property yard personnel. The police cannot be everywhere all the time, so we rely on citizens to assist us in a variety of ways.

Community crime prevention programs work, and CEOP Watch is one of the most effective and inexpensive ways to prevent crime in the City of Falls Church. The CEOP Watch program helps to reduce all types of crime and improves the relationship between the police and the business community.

The CEOP Watch program not only enables drivers to quickly notify the police with reports of criminal activity in progress, but the Police Department also provides participants with crime alerts for known suspects, vehicles, or specific crimes.

Join CEOP Watch

If you are interested in joining the CEOP Watch program, or would like more information, please contact the City of Falls Church Police Department's Crime Prevention Unit at 703-248-5056.



C.E.O.P. Watch Program

(City Employees On Patrol)



**City of Falls Church
Police Department
Crime Prevention Unit**

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www.fallschurchva.gov

Guidelines to Follow

CEOP Watch drivers are not expected, nor are they encourage, to physically intervene in a situation that they might observe. Drivers should use their two-way radio (if applicable) or cell phone to quickly call police and report the suspicious activity or incident.

CEOP Watch drivers are encouraged to report:

- Motor vehicle accidents.
- Reckless drivers/drunk drivers.
- Hazardous situations.

What is Suspicious?

- Anything that seems out of place or is occurring at an unusual time of day.
- Persons entering or leaving a business establishment after hours.
- Sounds of breaking glass or screaming.
- Persons walking through yards of residential areas or seeming out of place.
- Persons loitering around schools, parks or secluded areas.
- Parked vehicles that are occupied at unusual locations or unusual times.

How to Report Suspicious Activity

When CEOP Watch members call the police, remember to give your name and to identify yourself as a member of CEOP Watch. Give the dispatcher all of the information that you have gathered, which may include:

- Type of incident
- Location
- Time of incident
- Any suspect, suspect vehicle and direction of travel description, if applicable
- Victim information
- Any injuries, if applicable

Be prepared to answer any questions to assist the dispatcher.



**Emergency call:
703-241-5050**

**Non-Emergency call:
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